- 4. On or about October 18, 2011, an employee of the Department of Justice, served by Certified and First Class Mail a copy of the Statement of Issues No. 2012-239, Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense, Request for Discovery, Government Code sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7, Notice from Respondent/Applicant, and Notice of Hearing to Respondent's address on the application form, which was and is 2575 West Sierra Highway Acton, CA 93510. A copy of the Statement of Issues is attached as Exhibit A, and is incorporated herein by reference.
- 5. Service of the Statement of Issues was effective as a matter of law under the provisions of Government Code section 11505, subdivision (c)
- 6. On or about March 30, 2012, Respondent sent a letter expressing her wish to withdraw her request to appeal. The letter is attached as Exhibit B and is incorporated by reference.
  - 7. Business and Professions Code section 118 states, in pertinent part:
  - (a) The withdrawal of an application for a license after it has been filed with a board in the department shall not, unless the board has consented in writing to such withdrawal, deprive the board of its authority to institute or continue a proceeding against the applicant for the denial of the license upon any ground provided by law or to enter an order denying the license upon any such ground.
  - 8. Government Code section 11506 states, in pertinent part:
  - (c) The respondent shall be entitled to a hearing on the merits if the respondent files a notice of defense, and the notice shall be deemed a specific denial of all parts of the accusation not expressly admitted. Failure to file a notice of defense shall constitute a waiver of respondent's right to a hearing, but the agency in its discretion may nevertheless grant a hearing.
  - 9. California Government Code section 11520 states, in pertinent part:
  - (a) If the respondent either fails to file a notice of defense or to appear at the hearing, the agency may take action based upon the respondent's express admissions or upon other evidence and affidavits may be used as evidence without any notice to respondent; and where the burden of proof is on the respondent to establish that the respondent is entitled to the agency action sought, the agency may act without taking evidence.
- 10. Pursuant to its authority under Government Code section 11520, the Board finds Respondent is in default. The Board will take action without further hearing and finds that the allegations in Statement of Issues No. 2012-239 are true.

## **DETERMINATION OF ISSUES**

- 1. Based on the foregoing, Respondent Haydee Lee Gonzales Tulagan has subjected her application for a Registered Nurse License to denial.
- 2. Respondent has withdrawn her request for a hearing and therefore has not met her burden of proof to establish that a license should be issued.
  - 3. The agency has jurisdiction to adjudicate this case by default.
- 4. The Board of Registered Nursing is authorized to deny Respondent's application for licensure based upon the following violations alleged in the Statement of Issues:
- a. Business and Professions Code sections 2736 and 480, subdivision (a)(1) conviction of a substantially related crime;
- b. Business and Professions Code sections 2736 and 480, subdivision (a)(3)(A) conduct warranting denial of a license.

## BEFORE THE BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Statement of Issues Against:

Case No. 2012-239

OAH No. 2012010865

HAYDEE LEE GONZALES TULAGAN

Respondent.

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

IT IS SO ORDERED that the application for Registered Nurse License, filed by Respondent Haydee Lee Gonzales Tulagan, is denied.

Pursuant to Government Code section 11520, subdivision (c), Respondent may serve a written motion requesting that the Decision be vacated and stating the grounds relied on within seven (7) days after service of the Decision on Respondent. The agency in its discretion may vacate the Decision and grant a hearing on a showing of good cause, as defined in the statute.

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FOR THE BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

Attachment:

Exhibit A:

Statement of Issues No.2012-239

Exhibit B:

Letter of Withdrawal of Appeal

Exhibit A

Statement of Issues No. 2012-239

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14	Acton, CA 93510
15	Registered Nurse License Applicant
16	Respondent.
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18	Complainant alleges:
19	PARTIES
20	1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) brings this Statement of Issues solely in
21	her official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of
22	Consumer Affairs (Board).
23	2. On or about January 5, 2011, the Board received an application for a Registered
24	Nurse License from Haydee Lee Gonzales Tulagan (Respondent). On or about January 3, 2011,
25	Respondent certified under penalty of perjury to the truthfulness of all statements, answers, and
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STATEMENT OF ISSUES

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# **JURISDICTION**

3. This Statement of Issues is brought before the Board under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.

# STATUTORY PROVISIONS

- 4. Section 480 states, in pertinent part:
- "(a) A board may deny a license regulated by this code on the grounds that the applicant has one of the following:
- "(1) Been convicted of a crime. A conviction within the meaning of this section means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. Any action that a board is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under the provisions of Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code.
- "(3) (A) Done any act that if done by a licentiate of the business or profession in question, would be grounds for suspension or revocation of license.
- "(B) The board may deny a license pursuant to this subdivision only if the crime or act is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which application is made. . . . "
- 5. Section 490 provides that a board may suspend or revoke a license on the ground that the licensee has been convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the license was issued.
- 6. Section 2736 provides that the Board may deny a license when it finds that the applicant has committed any acts constituting grounds for denial of licensure under section 480.
  - 7. Section 2761 states, in pertinent part:

"The board may take disciplinary action against a certified or licensed nurse or deny an application for a certificate or license for any of the following:

"(a) Unprofessional conduct, ...

- "(f) Conviction of a felony or of any offense substantially related to the qualifications. functions, and duties of a registered nurse, in which event the record of the conviction shall be conclusive evidence thereof. . . . "
  - 8. Section 2762 states, in pertinent part:

"In addition to other acts constituting unprofessional conduct within the meaning of this chapter [the Nursing Practice Act], it is unprofessional conduct for a person licensed under this chapter to do any of the following:

- "(b) Use any controlled substance as defined in Division 10 (commencing with Section 11000) of the Health and Safety Code, or any dangerous drug or dangerous device as defined in Section 4022, or alcoholic beverages, to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious to himself or herself, any other person, or the public or to the extent that such use impairs his or her ability to conduct with safety to the public the practice authorized by his or her license.
- "(c) Be convicted of a criminal offense involving the prescription, consumption, or self-administration of any of the substances described in subdivisions (a) and (b) of this section, or the possession of, or falsification of a record pertaining to, the substances described in subdivision (a) of this section, in which event the record of the conviction is conclusive evidence thereof ..."

## REGULATORY PROVISIONS

California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1444, states:

"A conviction or act shall be considered to be substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a registered nurse if to a substantial degree it evidences the present or potential unfitness of a registered nurse to practice in a manner consistent with the public health, safety, or welfare. . . . "

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## FIRST CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

# (Conviction of a Substantially Related Crime)

- 10. Respondent's application is subject to denial under sections 480, subdivision (a)(1), and 2736, in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1444, in that on or about February 23, 2009, Respondent sustained a substantially related criminal conviction, as follows:
- a. On or about February 23, 2009, after pleading guilty, Respondent was convicted of one misdemeanor count of violating Vehicle Code section 23152(b) [drive with an equal to or greater than 0.08% blood alcohol] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Haydee Lee Tulagan* (Super. Ct. Los Angeles County, 2009, No. 9VY00451). The Court placed Respondent on 36 months probation, ordered her to complete 366 hours of CalTrans duty, ordered her to complete a 3-month First Offender Alcohol Program, and ordered her to pay victim restitution.
- b. The circumstances underlying the conviction are that on or about January 27, 2009, Respondent was arrested after she drove her vehicle while under the influence of alcohol and collided with parked vehicles. Her blood alcohol level at the time of arrest was 0.17%/0.18%. Respondent was taken to the hospital for her injuries.

#### SECOND CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

### (Conduct Warranting Denial of Licensure)

- 11. Respondent's application is subject to denial under sections 480, subdivision (a)(3)(A) and 2736, in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1444, in that Respondent committed substantially related acts that if done by a licentiate of the business or profession in question would be grounds for suspension or revocation of license violating sections as follows:
- a. Sections 490 and 2761, subdivision (f), for sustaining the conviction of a substantially related crime.
- b. Sections 2761, subdivision (a), and 2762, subdivision (c), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, for sustaining the conviction of a crime involving alcoholic beverages.

- c. Sections 2761, subdivision (a), and 2762, subdivision (b), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, for using alcoholic beverages to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious to herself or to the public.
- d. Complainant refers to and by this reference incorporates the allegations set forth above in paragraph 10, subparagraphs a and b, inclusive, as though set forth fully.

# **PRAYER**

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision:

- 1. Denying Haydee Lee Gonzales Tulagan's appliation for a Registered Nurse License;
- 2. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: October 17,2011

LOUISE R. BAILEY, M.ED., RN

Executive Officer

Board of Registered Nursing

Department of Consumer Affairs

State of California

Complainant

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Exhibit B

March 30, 2012 Letter

March 30, 2012

Haydee Lee G. Tulagan Case no: 2012-239 OAH no: 2012010865 2575 Sierra Highway. Acton, Ca 93510 (661) 435-4263, Oneapple123@aol.com

To Linda L. Sun.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity of a court date (June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012) for my court appeal in relation to attaining my chance to take the California Board Exam. Though I am very appreciative of this offer, I would like to inform you that I am no longer interested in pursuing this opportunity in court. Also if it is possible, I would also like to place this matter under seal because I have noticed that these documents are accessible for public display on the internet.

I am sorry for all the inconvenience I may have caused. Thank you for taking your time on this matter.

- Haydee Lee G. Tulagan

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